Washington State Elections Weekly

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Save the Date | Jan 29 @ 2:00 p.m.

Next up in our COOP training series? Save the date for our webinar with Emergency Management Expert, Bob Bippert: January 29 at 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Look for registration information in an upcoming edition of the *Weekly*!

Resources for Special Purpose Districts

When local jurisdictions have questions about levy limits, lid lifts, excess levies, and bonds, try sharing the Department of Revenue's guide to <u>Ballot Measure Requirements</u>. Special purpose districts are encouraged to retain legal counsel for such questions.

The Pierce County Auditor's Office publishes an <u>Election Guide for Jurisdictions</u> containing a "Resolution Cover Sheet." The mandatory sheet/form asks the jurisdiction to state the type of election (levy, bond, lid lift, etc.) and the pass/fail requirement as determined by the jurisdiction and its legal counsel. The sheet also requests a contact person for the district and must accompany the submitted resolution. Inquiries from media and the public are referred to the contact provided by the jurisdiction.

Finally, King County Elections calculates and posts a useful <u>Validation Summary for 2015</u> <u>Elections</u>. Each district (city, fire, etc.) within the county is listed alongside the validation numbers pertaining to that district.

Best Wishes from Lori

As we close out 2014 and usher in 2015, I want to thank each and every one of you for all you do to support the elections process in Washington State. We are national leaders thanks to all of your forward thinking, hard work, and dedication.

A special thanks goes out to our Auditors who end their election service today. Collectively we're losing over 100 years of elections experience with our outgoing Auditors. I have fond memories of each of you and will miss you more than you know. Thank you for the part that you have played in helping me be a better elections administrator. Your legacy will live on in the work that we will continue to do to improve the elections process for our citizens.

Congratulations and best wishes to all of you! If you get bored...I'm sure you can find part-time work doing signature verification.



- Donna Eldridge, Jefferson County Auditor
- David Firebaugh, Grant County Auditor
- Pat Gardner, Pacific County Auditor
- Corky Holloway, Yakima County Auditor
- Patty Rosand, Clallam County Auditor
- Tim Todd, Skamania County Auditor
- Walt Washington, Kitsap County Auditor
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